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SUBJECT: FY 1974 ANNUAL DEVELOPMENT PLAN OUTLINE AND BUDGET OF

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BEGIN INTRODUCTION AND SUMMARY: MINISTER OF FINANCE TAJUDDIN AHMED PRESENTED ANNUAL BUDGET FOR FY 74 TO PARLIAMENT JUNE 14. ISSUED CONCURRENTLY FY 73 REVISED BUDGET. DEVELOPMENT AND RECONSTRUCTION PORTION REPRESENTS 13 PERCENT INCREASE OVER LAST YEAR WITH PROJECTED TOTAL AID SHARE DECREASING FROM 80 PERCENT (REVISED BUDGET FY 73) TO 67 PERCENT \$493 MILLION OUT OF ADP TOTAL \$735 MILLION). BUDGET ALLOCATIONS DO NOT APPEAR TO SUPPORT MULTIPLE GOALS OF ADP'S DEVELOPMENT STRATEGY. RATHER INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION AND CONSUMER SERVICE EMPHASIS TAKE PRIORITY OVER RURAL DEVELOPMENT AND AGRICULTURAL PRODUCTION. END SUMMARY.

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1. DEVELOPMENT BUDGET (IN TAKA MILLION; \$1.00 EQUALS TK 7.2)

72-73 73-74

DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE REVISED BUDGET

AGRICULTURE 877.5 869.5

RURAL INSTITUTION 293.2 306.7

WATER & FLOOD CONTROL 310.8 332.0

SUB-TOTAL 1481.5 1508.2

INDUSTRIES 275.3 754.1

POWER, NATURAL RESOURCE & SCIENTIFIC RESEARCH 246.1 492.9

TRANSPORT & COMMUNICATION 574.0 789.9

PHYSICAL PLANNING & HOUSING 143.7 235.4

EDUCATION & TRAINING 173.2 349.2

HEALTH 125.0 323.7

SOCIAL WELFARE & EMPLOYMENT 10.0 46.3

TOTAL DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE 3028.8 4499.7

- 2. FY 74 ADP RECONSTRUCTION AND REHABILITATION (R/R) EXPENDITURE DROPS FROM FY 73 ADP LEVEL 1827 MILLION TO REVISED BUDGET LEVEL OF 1578. FY 74 R/R BUDGET IS 753.8 MILLION. THIS DECREASE ACCOUNTED FOR BY TERMINATION OF REHABILITATION EXPENDITURES AND THE REDUCTION IN RECONSTRUCTION EXPENDITURES.
- 3. FOLLOWING TABLE COMPARES FY 73 ADP, FY 73 REVISED BUDGET AND FY 74 ADP FIGURES FOR DEVELOPMENT AND RECONSTRUCTION (MILLIONS OF TAKA).

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FY 73 ADP FY 73 REVISED FY 74 ADP

DEVELOPMENT 3183 3029 4499.7

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RUCTION 1827 1598 753.8

TOTALS 5010 4627 5253.5

- 4. THE FY 73 ADP BUDGET OF TK 5010 MILLION WAS TO BE FINANCED BY TK 3750 MILLION OF AID, 650 MILLION NET SURPLUS AND 610 MILLION IN DOMESTIC LOANS. THE REVISED BUDGET OF 3978 MILLION WAS FINANCED BY 3183 MILLION OF AID (EXCLUDING FOOD), 157 MILLION NET SURPLUS AND BORROWINGS OF 638 MILLION. TK 650 MILLION DISCREPANCY BETWEEN TOTAL ADP RESOURCE FIGURE OF 3978 MILLION AND THE REVISED FIGURE OF 4627 MILLION IS UNEXPLAINED, AND SUGGEST FURTHER ADP CURTAILMENT AND/ OR ADDITIONAL DEFICIT FINANCING.
- 5. FY 74 BUDGET SURPLUS OF TK 1000 MILLION, PLUS PROJECTED AID DISBURSEMENTS OF TK 3520 MILLION AND ADDITIONAL INTERNAL REVENUES OF TK 7 26 MILLION WILL FINANCE THE DEVELOPMENT BUDGET OF TK 5254 MILLION (INCLUDING TK 754 MILLION FOR RECONSTRUCTION).

 PERCENTAGE AID OF FY 73 ADP, FY 73 REVISED BUDGET, AND FY 74 ADP ARE 75.80 AND 67 PERCENT RESPECTIVELY. REF PARA 1 LAST LINE DEVELOPMENT EXPENDITURE INCREASE OF 49 PERCENT BETWEEN FY 73 TO FY 74 DOES NOT KEEP PACE WITH INFLATION. FY 74 DEVELOPMENT PLAN IS SMALLER THAN FY 73 PLAN IN REAL TERMS.
- $6. \ \ FY\ 74\ \ ADP\ STRATEGY\ IS:\ (1)\ \ STRIVE\ FOR\ FOOD\ SELF-\ SUFFICIENCY;$
- (2) EFFICIENT MANAGEMENT OF ALL

INDUSTRIES; (3) DEVELOP SELF-

RELIANCE; (4) CREATE EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES AND ORGANIZE VOLUNTARY

LABOR IN NATION BUILDING WORKS; (5) EXPAND STRICT CONTROL OVER DISTRIBUTION SYSTEM; (6) REDUCE AND STANDARDIZE PRICE; (7) EXTEND PUBLIC AND CIVIL SERVICE TO COMMON MAN; AND (8) ENSURE EQUITABLE DISTRIBUTION OF SACRIFICE.

7. DESPITE LISTING OF FOODGRAIN SELF- SUFFICIENCY FIRST, AGRICULTURE, RURAL INSTITUTIONS, AND WATER AND FLOOD CONTROL SHOW DROP FROM 49 LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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PERCENT OF PLAN OUTLAYS TO 34 PERCENT. THERFORE, FEEL QUOTE ADEQUATE PROVISIONS UNQUOTE HAVE NOT BEEN MADE FOR WHOLE ARRAY OF AGRICULTURAL INPUTS. FY 74 FOODGRAIN PRODUCTION TARGET OF 12.08 MILLION MT HOWEVER IS 12 PERCENT ABOVE PRESENT FY 73 PROJECTIONS.

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- 8. PLAN EMPHASIS ON INDUSTRIAL PRODUCTION, POWER AND TRANSPORTATION REFLECTED IN INCREASE FROM 36 TO 45 PERCENT OF BUDGET OUTLAYS. SIMILARLY, EMPHASIS ON HOUSING, EDUCATION, HELATH AND WELFARE INCREASED FROM 15 TO 21 PERCENT OF OUTLAYS AND PROBABLY HAS CONSIDERABLE URBAN BIAS.
- 9. INTEGRATED RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM TO EXPAND FROM 89 TO 150 THANAS DURING FY 74. TK 50 MILLION OF 380 MILLION (307 DEVELOPMENT PLUS 73 RECONSTRUCTION) FOR RURAL INSITITUTIONS IS EARMARKED FOR CGPERATIVES. RURAL WORKS PROGRAM IS ALLOCATED 215 MILLION, UP FROM 141 MILLION IN FY 73.
- 10. COMMENT: BUDGET NOTABLE FOR TOTAL LACK MENTION COST OF POPULATION GROWTH AND CONSEQUENT NEED FOR ITS CONTROL. FYI. UNDERSTAND FROM PC, 70 MILLION OF 324 MILLION TAKAS HEALTH SECTOR ALLOCATION EARMARKED FOR FAMILY PLANNING. PC HOPEFUL THIS CAN BE 100 PERCENT DONOR FINANCED. END FYI. FURTHER, OUR IMPRESSION AND THOSE OF OTHER OBSERVERS IS THAT PLAN ALSO DEFICIENT IN TERMS LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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OF SPECIFICS, FOREIGN EXCHANGE BUDGET AND EFFORTS TO TAX LUCRATIVE REVENUE BASES AND MOBILIZE ECONOMY. FINAL DOCUMENT APPEARS TO HAVE BEEN DRAFTED WITH EYE TO ITS ACCEPTANCE BY PARLIAMENT.

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